

erly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private, as a further remuneration to him for those services by which his country has been so essentially benefitted.

By order,

S. FOUNTAIN, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Potts delivers a petition from William Emmitt and James Hughes, of Frederick county, praying that a law may pass relinquishing the right of the state to part of a tract of land called Silver's Fancy, in said county; which was read and referred to Messrs. Potts, Davis and Blakistone. A petition from John Leather, of Henry, of the said county, praying for a divorce, which was read and referred to Messrs. Potts, Handy and Taney. A petition from sundry inhabitants of the said county, praying that the levy court of said county may be authorised to levy a sum of money to repair the Market house in Bentz-Town; which was read and referred to Messrs. Potts, Taney and Davis. And a petition from sundry inhabitants of the said county, praying legislative interposition relative to the practice of flour merchants in the city of Baltimore, paying waggoneers an extra price in their loads of flour not included in the bill of sales; which was read and referred to Messrs. Potts, Davis, Howard, Kell and Warner.

On motion by Mr. Kell, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors. Ordered, That Messrs. Kell, Dennis and R. Dorsey, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Davis from the committee delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John Leather, an old revolutionary soldier, of Frederick county, beg leave to report, That they have had the same under their consideration, they think that the prayer of the petitioner is reasonable, they therefore recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay annually, in quarterly payments, to John Leather, of Frederick county, an old revolutionary soldier, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a sergeant, or to his order, during life, as a further compensation for those services he rendered his country during the revolutionary war.

By order,

R. PINDELL, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Whittington delivers a memorial from the visitors and governors of Washington college, praying for a lottery to raise a sum of money for repairing the building of the college, and for other purposes; which was read and referred to Messrs. Whittington, Ringgold and Boyer. Also a petition from Edward Brown, late sheriff and collector of Kent county, praying further time to complete his collections; which was read and referred to Messrs. Whittington, Dunn and Ringgold.

On motion by Mr. Banning, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to enlarge the powers of the levy court of Talbot county for the benefit of the poor of said county. Ordered, That Messrs. Banning, Hambleton and Hands, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Bradford delivers a petition from John McGregor, of Harford county, praying that his title to certain property acquired by him may be confirmed; which was read and referred to Messrs. Bradford, Hall and Glenn.

Mr. Bowles delivers a bill, entitled, An act to empower the judges of the fifth election district in Washington county to hold the elections in any suitable house in the town of Hancock; which was read the first and second time by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. A. D. Mitchell delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorising James Mackey, senior, and David Mackey, securities to George W. Lightner, late sheriff and collector of Cecil county, to complete the collection of all balances due said George W. Lightner; which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to straighten and amend the several public roads in several counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and the bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the name of Cecil Cross Roads in Cecil county to Cecilton, severally endorsed, "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. A bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James P. Heath, of the city of Baltimore, endorsed, "passed by the senate Dec. 31, 1816;" and a bill, entitled, An act for appointing a printer to the state, endorsed, "passed by the senate December 1816;" which were severally read.

On motion by Mr. Stoddert, the house proceeded to the second reading by special order of the bill from the senate entitled, An act for appointing a printer to the state. On motion by Mr. Stoddert, the question was put, that the following be inserted at the end of the second section of the bill: "provided nevertheless, that for the present year the printer aforesaid shall be allowed twenty days in addition to the time heretofore allowed by law for printing the laws, votes and proceedings, after the same shall be delivered to him by the clerk, any thing in any law to the contrary notwithstanding." Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Kell, the question was put, that the words "that Jonas Green be and he is hereby appointed and constituted," in the first section of the bill be stricken out, for the purpose of inserting in lieu thereof the words, "that the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and required to appoint a?" Determined in the negative.

Mr. Potts moved the following as an amendment to the bill: "And be it enacted, That the printer appointed in virtue of this act shall receive for his services aforesaid the sum of \$ 1200 annually, in quarterly payments, from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated."

On motion by Mr. Potts the amendment proposed by him was withdrawn.

The bill being read throughout and amended, the question was put, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Potts, the following resolution was read and ordered to lie on the table:

Resolved, That the printer to the state shall be allowed — as a compensation for his services as printer aforesaid, annually, in quarterly payments, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

On motion by Mr. Dennis, Ordered, That the bill, entitled, An act to establish county schools be made order of the day for Tuesday week next.

On motion by Mr. Causin, the following order was read and adopted:

Ordered, That the treasurer of the western shore be requested to lay before this house an account of the whole amount of the money heretofore appropriated for the use of the penitentiary.